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The present invention relates to an antigen of a phagocyte. The antigen according to the invention is specific for a preactivated phagocyte and can be recognized by at least one bacteriophage as can be isolated from the strains having accession numbers CBS 101481 and 101482. The invention also relates to a phagocyte-recognizing agent recognizing an antigen specific for a preactivated phagocyte, as well as a pharmaceutical compound comprising such an agent. Finally the invention relates to a method of detecting a preactivated phagocyte using a phagocyte-recognizing agent according to the invention.